

Christmas Greetings

M. D. Wainwright Council Minutes

The council of the municipal district of Wainwright, No. 61, met in the council chamber of the municipal district on Thursday, December 13, 1945. Councillors Dallyn, Spencer, Sutherland, Taylor, Smale, Golding and Archibald were present. Reeve Sutherland in the chair.

Moved by Cr. Golding that the minutes of November 8, 1945, be accepted as written. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that the accounts as approved by the finance committee amounting to \$27,621.08 be passed, paid. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Archibald that the secretary gather all accounts for material over the sum of \$50.00 for the years 1944 and 1945 and present the same at the January, 1946 meeting of the council to establish ownership by division and these amounts be noted and deducted from any monies that may be allocated 1946 to public works by divisions. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Sutherland that the secretary advise the Professional Service Bureau re the account of the Royal Alexandra hospital and Mrs. Clarence E. Newell for \$554.50 that this account is a liability of the M.D. of Vermilion River as per settlement of assets and liability of April 25, 1942, that the M.D. of Martin assumed all contingent liabilities. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that the accounts of the field men under the Assessment Act at \$1.00 per parcel plus \$5.00 per day for meetings with the assessor and supervisor be paid in full and incorporated in Motion No. 502. Cd. (Cr. Archibald dissenting.)

Moved by Cr. Spencer that F. F. Dixon assessor, be paid a further advance of \$200.00 and further consideration be given his account when rendered. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Sutherland that the statement of receipts and expenditures for the month ending November 30, 1945, be accepted as presented and incorporated in the minutes. Cd.

By-law 142 with reference to authorization of purchasing \$8,000 in Canada's 9th Victory Loan Bonds was presented.

Moved by Cr. Smale that by-law 142 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that by-law 142 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Dallyn that by-law 142 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

By-law 144 with reference to the authorization of the transfer of certain monies from several departments to the public works department of the 1945 estimates of expenditures, presented.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that by-law 144 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that by-law 144 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Archibald that by-law 144 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Smale that the

accounts of Dr. Middlemass amounting to \$156.00 being \$40.00 for MHO fees and \$116.00 indigent accounts, be paid in full as at December 31, 1945, and these accounts be incorporated in Motion 502. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that the cancellations amounting to \$578.13 be approved. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that the reeve and Cr. Golding be a committee to study the matter of a map calendar for the municipal district for the year 1946-47 and report at the February, 1946, meeting. Cd.

The following places and parties were appointed with reference to the 1946 elections for councillors and hospital trustees:

Division 1—Municipal: Voting place, Chauvin; DRO, E. Pitman; Ribstone, E. Wilde; enumerator, D. H. Folkins.

Division 2—Municipal: Voting place, McCafferty hall; DRO, L. Rae; Edgerton, T. Bates; enumerator, W. T. Hay.

Division 7—Municipal: Voting place, Irma; DRO, A. E. Knutson; Silverland, Floyd Bronson; Roseberry, C. Younker; enumerator, J. C. McLean.

Gill Edge Area—Hospital Trustee: Voting place, Saddle Hills; DRO, J. F. Redmond Sr.; Giles school, Marshall Rublee; Plaxtonville, C. Plaxton; Grangedale, Joseph Hill; enumerator, H. H. Pilgrim. Voting place, Mayfield; DRO, W. Rathwell; Wainwright, F. Dixon; enumerator, E. N. Arthur.

Vale Fre Area—Hospital Trustee: Voting place, Buffalo View; DRO, J. F. Redmond Sr.; Heath, George Trunbull; Greenshields, E. Peterson; Park Road, Bruce Nichols; enumerator, T. Rattray.

Moved by Cr. Smale that the DRO's be paid \$5.00 for the services plus 10c per mile for miles necessarily travelled for delivering ballot box and that enumerators be paid 10c for every name they add to the voter's list as received from the sec-treas. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Smale that the request from the Wainwright municipal hospital that the agenda for the annual meeting be arranged

that the hospital report can be given to a fair representation of the ratepayers within the hospital area be received and the returning officer be instructed to arrange the said agenda to include hospital matters between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon in which time nomination period is allocated. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that the report of the secretary re the municipal seed grain indebtedness be received and that he be empowered to pay 50 per cent of the face value of municipal seed grain loans if paid by January 31, 1946. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Smale that the application for Mother's Allowance of Mrs. E. A. Gaines completed November 29, 1945, and the recommendation of the inspector that a sum of \$10.00 per month be allowed be approved. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Archibald that

the secretary advise the Irma Women's Institute that this council will extend a grant of dollar for dollar to an amount of \$200.00 towards a rest room in the village of Irma if the council of that village will not entertain this offer. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Smale that the correspondence from the municipal district of Provost No. 52, with reference to a proposed home for the aged and infirm be received and that the reeve and secretary attend the meeting at Czar, Alberta, on Saturday, December 15, as set out in the correspondence. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that the Old Age Pension application of W. A. Warnock as received be forwarded to the Old Age Pension department with the council's recommendation that a full pension be awarded. Cd.

Correspondence from the Calgary Power Co. dated November 13, 1945, with reference to the hazards of burning straw stacks and trash along the Calgary Power line read and noted.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that in view of the decision of the council of the Village of Chauvin that the secretary be empowered to issue a transfer to the Village of Chauvin for the Chauvin cemetery and in addition forward a cheque for \$100.00 in the form of a grant for the upkeep of the said cemetery. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that in the matter of R. Benoit this council offer without prejudice the sum of \$75.00 in full settlement of this matter. Cd.

Secretary reported that correspondence from the federal department of agriculture that a complete survey of the municipal district had not been completed at this date with reference to the 1945 Prairie Farm Assistance Act. Cd.

By-law No. 143 a by-law of the municipal district of Wainwright No. 61 concerning the sale of the building and land being and situated on lot 5, block 6, plan 4833 W. Village of Chauvin, presented.

Moved by Cr. Sutherland that by-law 143 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Golding that by-law 143 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that by-law 143 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

By-law 145 concerning the sale of section 21-45-5-4 to N. A. Dahlgren for \$1800.00, \$600.00 cash, balance in 3 equal payments at 5 per cent interest, presented.

Moved by Cr. Smale that by-law 145 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Dallyn that by-law 145 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Golding that by-law 145 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

By-law 146 concerning the sale of part of NW 5-44-3-4, being 120 acres more or less, to George E. Hallett for \$240.00 cash, presented.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that by-law 146 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Smale that by-law 146 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Dallyn that by-law 146 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

By-law 147 concerning the sale of lots 1 and 4, block 5, plan 1760 Bk, Hamlet of Ribstone as a direct sale back to the United Church of Canada, being the unregistered owners, presented.

Moved by Cr. Archibald that by-law 147 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that by-law 147 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Dallyn that by-law 147 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

By-law 148 concerning the sale of the W-14 36-46-5-4 to David Gardiner for \$500.00 cash, presented.

Moved by Cr. Smale that by-law 148 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Golding that by-law 148 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Sutherland that by-law 148 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

By-law 149 concerning the sale of lot 16, block 1, plan 1760 Bk, Hamlet of Ribstone, to Marion Leggett, for the sum of \$10.00 cash, presented.

Moved by Cr. Dallyn that by-law 149 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that by-law 149 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Smale that by-law 149 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Dallyn that the matter of improvement of the meridian curve at a cost of \$65.00 be approved, this amount to appear on a pay sheet. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Sutherland that the pay sheets, as approved by the councillors, amounting to \$3,790.75 be passed and paid. Cd.

By-law 150, a by-law of the municipal district of Wainwright No. 61, for the purpose of authorizing the purchase of two motor graders in 1946, presented. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Archibald that by-law 150 pass its first reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that by-law 150 pass its second reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that by-law 150 pass its third and final reading. Cd.

Moved by Cr. Taylor that the secretary be instructed to advise the Union Tractor and Equipment Co. that the tentative order for the following machinery, being: one D8 Caterpillar Diesel tractor with lighting set and lights, one Caterpillar double drum cable control unit, one Caterpillar 42-inch elevating grader, engine driven, 19-foot carrier, one C10S LaPlant Shoate scraper, one R82R LaPlant shoate trail builder at a cost of \$25,187.00, given June 14, 1945, that they wish this order cancelled. Cd.

Mr. Townley-Smith, district agriculturist, spoke at length with reference to the setting up of an agricultural service board which was received with thanks. The council decided to give this matter consideration and to be put on the agenda for January 1946 meeting.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that the meeting adjourn. Cd.



Come to Church on Christmas

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

This Christmas will be the happiest in many homes since before the war. Family circles which have been broken will be united again by the return of fathers, brothers, and sisters. Other homes will be rejoicing in the assurance that war has ceased and their loved ones will soon be home.

The return of Peace will surely make this a Happy Christmas but in our rejoicing let us not forget to breathe a prayer of thanksgiving for those who gave their lives that we might still keep Christmas in our customary way.

Let us also remember the unfortunate ones in Europe who are experiencing even greater hardships than they did in wartime.

May all our Christmas activities remind us of Christ's coming to the world, and may His Message of Peace and Good Will mean so much to us, that we will be men and women of good will in thought word and deed.—Rev. H. W. Inglis.

WHEAT POOL RESOLUTIONS

A resolution was passed at the Alberta Wheat Pool delegate's convention in regard to loaning money to the Canadian Co-operative Implements Limited which read as follows: "That we do not provide financial assistance to Canadian Co-operative Implements Limited out of Alberta Wheat Pool funds at this time." This resolution was introduced by John Hallett of Fleet who claimed that the farmers themselves should subscribe to the C.C.I.L. and said that he had done so himself. But a number of delegates were loathe to do anything that might discourage the machinery co-operative. Some said the resolution had no standing as there was no application from that organization for a loan at the present time. In the end, the motion carried by a substantial vote, only 15 opposing it.

the agenda for January 1946 meeting.

Moved by Cr. Spencer that the meeting adjourn. Cd.

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, Dec. 23rd
Strawberry Plains — Sunday school and public worship at 11.00 a.m.
Albert—Public worship 2 p.m.
Alma Mater—Public worship at 4.00 p.m.
Irma—Sunday school 11:00 a.m.
Public worship 7:30 p.m.

A hearty welcome to all.
This will be Christmas Sunday and the services will be in keeping with Christmas season. Special music will be given by the choir at the evening service. You are cordially invited to attend.

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Irma Tabernacle—Bible school at 2:15 p.m.; gospel service 3:30 p.m.
Education Point—Bible school at 11:00 a.m.
Jarrov—Bible school 2:15 p.m.
Hardisty, Oddfellows' Hall—Gospel service at 8:30 p.m.

Scripture Verse: "For unto us a child is born and the government shall be upon His shoulders and His name shall be called, Prince of Peace. Is. 9-6.

In the absence of Misses Vera Rudd and Alice Dye the Alliance Tabernacle is being supplied by Mr. R. A. Heinrichs of Vancouver, B.C. Mr. Heinrichs is a missionary candidate for Central America. You will be blessed by his gospel messages from the word of God. Do not fail to attend the Tabernacle regularly. Its little church with the big welcome.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

There will be a Celebration of Holy Communion on Sunday Dec. 23rd, at 2.30 p.m.

This will be our Christmas Communion service and you are heartily invited to join in this service

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MARVELOUS
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WHO USE DRY YEAST
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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY

TILL WE MEET AGAIN

By SYLVIA Y. ENDLER

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SOMEWHERE in that timeless river of pain, the lieutenant knew he must have something to cling to, or go under. In another age, another time, there had been much of goodness and beauty to hold to—but now for a long time there was nothing. Then suddenly out of the mist, a face rose before him, smooth hair brushed in shining wings from a high white forehead, violet-shadowed eyes, coral lips faintly parted and cool fragrant fingers.

She laughed at him, teased him, beckoned him, and sometimes there were tears, and once voices. "Quoted a boy the lieutenant. He got the D.S.O." And another: "He deserves a bar for what he's been through on this side." Then the first voice: "Well this is the final operation. Everything will be all right after this." But out of the whirling kaleidoscope it was only Dr. Reading and his assistant whose graft voices merged; she, the girl, was gone. However she came again in the flickering night, and in an enchanted world he talked and she listened and some of the weariness and unreal grogginess seemed to vanish. They danced, and once she dipped and swayed and broke away. And as he turned to follow, his knee burst into a wall of flame that blacked her out. Then there were gentle hands on his shoulders and the comforting coolness of handkerchiefs licked at the flames of pain.

After a while she returned and somewhere in that endless night of pain and shining hair, serene eyes and graceful fingers, he knew he was in love with her, as a man is in love with life. She filled every lonely part of him, all the secret, silent places of his mind and his thoughts, blotting out everything else—even the pain which had hovered over him till now; and for a space he slept. He awoke, lightheaded and languid to the gray dawn, and for the first time he knew that he would live.

Wheezing— Cough-Racked



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SELECTED RECIPES

"P" IF FOR PROVERBS AND PUDDINGS

According to an old proverb "the proof of the pudding is in the eating" and now is a good time to test the truth of this statement. Everyone's appetite is whetted by the crisp winter air, and the ice cream and sherberts that were so popular in the good old summertime are taking a back seat in favor of hot puddings and heavier desserts. Cold weather puddings are usually baked or steamed and served hot or warm with your favorite pudding sauce. Steamed fruit puddings are frequently made and stored with the idea of reheating later whenever a quick desert is needed. Here is a mince-meat pudding which you will enjoy at this time of year.

MINCEMEAT JIFFY PUDDING
2 cups prepared mince-meat
½ cup brown sugar (*)
2 tablespoons flour
½ teaspoon cinnamon
3 tablespoons butter
1½ cups whole wheat flour
Spread mince-meat in greased pan. Combine sugar, flour and cinnamon. Blend butter and sugar mixture; mix with cereal. Crumble over mince-meat. Bake in moderate oven (350 deg. F.) about 20 minutes. Serve warm with cream, if desired.
Yield: 6-8 servings (8 x 8 x 2-inch pan).

(*) Sugar may be increased or decreased depending on sweetness of mince-meat.

Sixteen light bulbs will supply an average household for two years. Battledrums carry 7,000 bulbs in sockets and two spares for each one in use, or a total of 21,000.

Blazing Oil

Threatened A Whole Village When Enemy Planes Scored A Hit. Blazing oil, cascading down a hillside, threatened a whole village when one enemy plane attacked the Admiralty fuel oil installation at Pembroke Dock in August, 1940, starting an 18-day fight against the most protracted oil fire of the war. This and other big blazes of the war were recalled by V. J. Wilmoth to fellow members of the Institute of Petroleum. In May 1944 when enemy planes bombed Swanvale oil installation at Falmouth, escaping spirits flowed into a small stream in the valley below imperilling a number of nearby houses.

Cottages were evacuated, barricades of empty drums and earth were built to confine the fiery overflow and the fire was overcome after 21 hours.

The Thames Estuary was the scene of a fire which lasted 5½ days. In enemy air attack on Sept. 6, 1940, an oil tank at Thames Haven was hit and the fire spread to two other tanks. On the following day in a further attack a direct hit was scored on another large tank. During a third fire, started Sept. 16, an enemy bomb fired yet another tank and this fire lasted for 3½ days.

Mr. Wilmoth disclosed that when the war began 90 per cent. of Britain's petroleum stocks were stored in some 40 major installations.

Frock And Toy



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REFUGEES MOVE

The movement of refugees from Great Britain, the haven of those who fled before the German terror, is in full swing. Many thousands of persons from more than 30 countries have gone, are on their way, or are preparing to return to their homelands. Last to go are the German exiles.

Guam is 30 miles long, and seven miles wide.

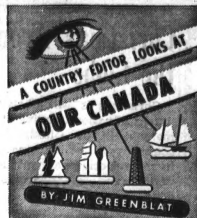
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Here and there in Canada: Best this, says Mrs. J. Jones of Hodgeville, Sask., with a pullet which hatched April 30, started to lay first of Sept. for six weeks; then sat her on eight eggs of which she hatched six chickens Nov. 8 at 10 below zero, and outside, too. . . The local paper has nominated Police Chief Lang of Penetanguishene, Ont., as having the biggest test in Simcoe County, 12½ wds. H-l-a-t. . . Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Bowers of Neville, Sask., celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Dec. 1, while Mrs. Bowers observed her 65th birthday, both being well and enjoying life. . . At Wolfville, N.S., Dr. I. B. Oakes reached 97 years young. . . The gas man at the Duncan and Brown service station at Lacombe, Que., blinked and looked again at the man who stopped for gas. It was General Andy McNaughton. A returned man, he had a friendly chat with the general. . . A cow in the family for 19 years, lost out such a racous stream of verbiage when an intruder broke into the Horton garage in Kentville, N.S., that he fled in terror. . . Times have changed says the Radville, Sask., Star, as there was a rush for council seats in direct contrast to jobs formerly going begging. . . At Port Hope, Ont., Gordon Gilbert took a bead on two wild? geese, shot them, discovered they were his uncles, two pet geese. It cost him a five-spot. . .

During the first ten days of November, schools of sardine and medium herring have been in the shores all along the eastern or sheltered coast of New Brunswick, in quantities that have the older generation wondering if ever in their time they ever seen the like. . . Shame on of young fellows: Mrs. Jennie Majaury of White in Darling Tp. of Ontario, who is 93, recently rode two miles on horseback to visit her son, Thomas Majaury. She is in good health in spite of advanced age and very active. . .

Don't fence me in: At the Rural Municipality of St. Mary's, Sask., players meeting recently there was discussion to again request the government to erect a fence along the border of the Canadian Majaury. This point to keep stock from straying across. Folks here think it would be practical. The Mexicans have done this in their U.S. border, it was pointed out. . .

When the S. Pipiriki sailed recently from Vancouver, she carried as part of her cargo 231,163 boxes of E.C. apples for Britain, the largest single shipment of Canadian apples ever made from Canada. The shipment was made through the Special Products Board and will arrive in England in time for Christmas. The apples are in refrigeration space. The Pipiriki is making the voyage via the Panama Canal. . .

According to the Listowel, Ont., Banner, mass production of thousands of suites of household furniture for bombed Britain will start in 1944. Furniture units will be semi-manufactured in Collingwood, where a Kitchener rubber company has taken over an aircraft plant. Production is expected to total 150,000 suites in a project which will involve millions of dollars. . .

The Cobourg, Ont., Sentinel-Star makes a pertinent point. "We feel that the church ought to be more conscious of the challenge of modern youth than is indicated at the present time. Think of the contribution the church could make to youth, if it would, and what young people could do for the Christian church by exerting their enthusiasm, strength and vitality in that direction. Let our parents, our youth and our churches give careful consideration to the challenge which exists here. The matter is much too important to be neglected." . .

The editor of the Pilot Mound, Mr. L. Sentinel is perturbed because another series of Scotch concerts is breaking out in that town, adding, "You can take Scotch or leave it, because it doesn't bother us much." Wonder what he means? . . . Another old timer, Mrs. Margaret McLean of North Kamloops celebrated her 99th birthday, hale and hearty, keenly pleased at all public affairs. She was born in the Hudson's Bay old Fort Kamloops. . .

HIS RECIPE FOR LONG LIFE
Captain John Howell, of the U.S.A., who is 104 years old and fought on the side of the South in the American Civil War, gives this advice for living to be 100 years old: "Eat three square meals a day, keep your chin up and your temper under control, and make the 3rd Psalm part of your daily life." . .

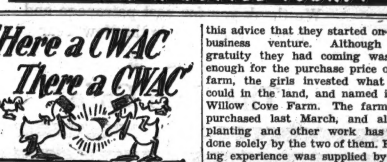
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There a CWAC
The only CWAC in Saskatchewan to be a dark room assistant in the Public Relations Office at Military District No. 12 Headquarters, is the record of L.-Cpl. Bergsteinsson of Weyburn, Sask. In order to qualify for her job, L.-Cpl. Bergsteinsson attended a course in photography, sponsored by the Canadian Legion. Receiving added instruction from the photographic officer, she learned to develop, printing and other dark room work. L.-Cpl. Bergsteinsson enlisted in the C.W.A.C. in January, 1944, at Regina. Following her basic training at Vermilion, Alta., she was employed as a clerk in M.D. 12 Headquarters until April, 1944, when she was taken on staff of the Public Relations Office. She has one sister in the C.W.A.C., Cpl. Margaret Bergsteinsson, employed at Headquarters, London, England, and two brothers in the services, one still overseas, and one discharged after being wounded at Dieppe. Prior to her enlistment, L.-Cpl. Bergsteinsson attended the Balfour Technical School at Regina. . .

FORMER CWACS OPERATE OWN 6-ACRE FARM
With the assistance of rehabilitation officers, orders from the M.O., and a natural yen for farming, Miss Margaret Haskett, formerly of Simcoe, and Miss Gladys Costen, formerly of Niagara-on-the-Lake, both ex-members of the Canadian Women's Army Corps, have purchased six acres of land on the shores of Lake Ontario and have a very profitable fruit and vegetable farm. The girls were both discharged medically unfit, and were advised by army doctors to try farming. It was primarily on

this advice that they started on their business venture. Although the gratuity they had coming was not enough for the purchase price of the farm, the girls invested what they could in the land, and named it the Willow Cove Farm. The farm was purchased last March, and all the planning and other work has been done solely by the two of them. Farming experience was supplied by Miss Costen, who has lived on a farm all her life and has many of the answers to planting and harvesting problems. She also drives the truck. Miss Haskett, who has never farmed in her life before, is doing a fine job on the business side of the picture. "We are getting along fine. Why only recently we bought a new truck," said Miss Haskett, with a look of pride. "I like farming very much." Both girls were privates, Miss Haskett working in the rationing office and Miss Costen as a driver. Both agree that the farm is the only place to live.

Occupying Germany

Says It May Last Ten Years or Longer
Gen. Joseph T. McNarney predicted that, Germany would be occupied at least 10 years and probably longer. He spoke at a press conference as he assumed command of American troops in the European theatre from Gen. Eisenhower, New United States army chief of staff. . . Gen. McNarney said the whole United States army policy would be directed toward turning the military government over to a civilian administration as soon as possible. He said the civilian who would direct the program had not yet been chosen.

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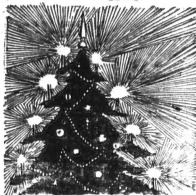
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Leslie Pongo



Once again the joyous Christmas Season returns with remembrance of our pleasant business associations and gives us an opportunity of wishing you

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HEALTH AND HAPPINESS IN THE NEW YEAR

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Christmas Around the Globe

Christmas is still Christmas in dozens of nations, having outlasted many other wars. Children in these countries will be marking the day in some special way, just as their parents and grandparents have done.

Names and rulers may come and go, but the children in Syria will be setting out grain and water on Christmas Eve, for the littlest camel of the wise men. The children in Norway will remember to give a special treat of salt to each cow in the barnyard, all quarrels will cease, and all the wheels in the houses given a rest from turning. In Rumania, the people will gather to bless the Danube River. In Sweden, sheaves of wheat will be set out for the birds. In the Philippine Islands, Christmas bells will ring out early and long, and in Russia the grandmother will go about giving gifts to make up for the night when the ancient Babuska turned away the child Jesus.

In Alaska the children go from door to door parading with home-made star lanterns hung on poles. In what is now called German Austria the mother makes two Testament loaves—and makes three special candles, one to light on Christmas Eve, one for Christmas Day, and one for New Year's. Belgian children see St. Nicholas going about the streets writing the names of good children in a book of gold. Only the children, in French homes receive presents at Christmas. In Holland it is wooden shoes that are set out instead of stockings "hung by the chimney with care," but the hope is the same in all the childish hearts. All this in assumption that the invading Nazi will not interfere with national customs.

In the map country called Croatia, great logs are wreathed with garlands and dragged to the fireplaces between candles placed to light the entrance doorway of the home. Mothers of Finland, remembering the child in the manger, scatter straw on the floor for the children to lie on. The boys in Switzerland throw their shoes over the right shoulder, and the one whose shoe lands right side up will, it is believed, have luck until next Christmas. In England, a splinter of last year's Yule log is customarily saved to light the new log. In Germany the children visit their godfathers and receive gifts. Best liked are the sugar-coated animal cookies which the mother makes.

If you happen to be in Greece this Christmas you may see the youngsters going from door to door collecting walnuts, figs, raisins, which they call the "luck of Xmas." Little candles floated in nut shells tell fortunes of long life and happy marriages in Czechoslovakia. According to tradition, there should be goose and rice and apple fritters for Christmas dinner in Denmark; and the children of the families open their "pig" banks to see how much each has saved during the year.

In Ireland, no stranger is turned from the door on Christmas. Iceland spends most of the few Xmas hours of daylight in church. Italy makes much of the symbol of the Prosopio, the crib, in all its celebrating. India decorates its dogs and horses with bright ribbons; and Lithuania scatters straw under the dinner tablecloths "to help the family live in peace for the New Year."

If you go to church in Moravia on Christmas morning, cakes may be passed to you during the service. If you are in Puerto Rico you will join the native children and set out boxes on the flat roof of the house for Santa's attention. In Labrador, you will be given candles made of deer tallow set in turnip cups and you will be expected to eat candles and turnips as your special Christmas treat.

In Spain, the last of the world's religious dances, the Sietas, is performed in the churches, the dancers moving in time to the hymn rhythms. Poland sets an extra chair at the dinner table for the child Nazerene. Mexico holds a nine day festival. In Newfoundland the fishermen donate the days catch to the church for the support of the clergy for the year.

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Chorus
You'll end all strife, all storms at sea
For you are Lord our King.
To you the world shall bend the knee
To you their homage bring.

Though storms still rage, on land and sea,
Your Might and Light give cheer.
Oh Lord o'er us your power be
We pray that you stay near.
Give us not troubled seas nor tides,
But Living Waters pure.
Our hearts, refreshed, our faith abides;

Through prayers our sick you cure.
On many lands, your angels spread
Midst thieves and selfish foes,
Such harvests rare and Living Bread
Our cup of joy o'erflows.
Upon your loving ones you send
The spirit's anointing oil.
O God, we cannot comprehend,
We pilgrims of the soil.

There is no secret thought, nor sin
That any man can hide.
You see us all, without, within,
Oh Lord you be our guide.
Teach us the Laws of God and These,
No earthly wealth we crave;
Expose the clasp of Pharisee
And save us from that grave.

You've freed us from the Law of Death,
That dark mysterious night,
We fear not death, nor fleeting breath,
It's darkness, thence to light.
With you in Mansions of the blest,
With angels of our God.
We too shall find both love and rest,
Forever more, praise God.

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Christmas 1945

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Ottawa, Dec 17.—Prime Minister Mackenzie King, celebrating today his 71st birthday, said in the commons he felt more optimistic about the future than at any time in the past.

Replying to congratulations from

party leaders and cabinet colleagues, Mr. King said he saw the beginning of a new world order. He said he felt better than he had for many years and he felt this was due to the fact that he was no longer burdened with the worries of a man leading a country



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THE TRUE SPIRIT OF XMAS: SEEKING TO FIND AND KNOW THERE IS A SAVIOUR

Luke-2: Verses 8-20.

Verse-8. "And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night." The same country was not only this same locality right here where the shepherds were, but was also the same country or locality in which David was while tending his father, Jesse's sheep, when he was called to the sacrifice at Jesse's home at Bethlehem, where David was chosen and anointed the new king of Israel as in John-7-42. "Hath not the Scripture said that Christ cometh of the seed of David and out of the town of Bethlehem where David was."

Verse-9 And to the angel of the Lord came upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them and they were sore afraid. Yes! there was fear when the Prophet, Samuel went to Bethlehem for the people trembled at his coming. There was fear in the shepherds at the sudden appearance of the Angel and the wonderful light as it shone in the darkness of the night. We're told Herod and all Jerusalem with him was troubled, or feared, at the coming of the Wise Men—and there will be fear, when, as sudden as the lightning which flashes, when the sun shall not give its light, the moon be turned into blood and stars fall; and men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on earth. Why? Because they obeyed not the call the repentance, and to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, the Saviour as a personal Saviour whose birth was now being announced as the angel said "Fear not for behold I bring you good tidings: of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." As God's word, prophesied by His prophets, long time of years before, was now fulfilled, so will His word as He spoke it in the four gospels be fulfilled according to His words.

Verse 13 "And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly hosts praising God and saying (14) Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men." Yes, there was the promise of peace and good will, and that promise was proved truth in the blind being given sight, the lame walking, the lepers being cleansed, the deaf being made to hear, the dead being raised to life and the poor hearing the gospel preached unto them. And the peace that passeth all understanding with the good will, in mercy, in remission of sins, as an actual experience, with its wonderful joy, can be had by individuals today who will "seek" in repentance for it. When the announcement was made to the shepherds, it was: Glory to God in the highest and earth, peace, good will toward men. At the close of Jesus' ministry on earth when He entered into Jerusalem, it was "Peace in heaven, glory to God in the highest." There would be no use, going to Jerusalem or Bethlehem today to find salvation, but seeking with a broken and a contrite heart, under conviction of sinfulness and in repentance asking, seeking and knocking, the Lord in heaven will hearken unto it and when He sees that the individual really desires the birth or deliverance from his or her sinful state, first and before all else in this world, then He will give it.

Verse 15 And it came to pass as the angels were gone away into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which has come to pass which the Lord has made known unto us. And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the Babe lying in a manger. The shepherds (so different from too many people today who procrastinate with regard to their eternal welfare) said "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which has come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us." Did the shepherds just sit down and say "Wasn't that a wonderful vision, and wonderful news we have just heard. We have been told and believe it. We'll have something to tell our friends when we see them." No, they did not do this. They started immediately to seek and prove the truth of what they had heard. They did not take it for granted. They did not accept it as final because they had heard it. They started

to seek till they found that which had been told was the truth. Jesus said "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.

Repent, for except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish. Strive to enter in at the Strait Gate. Except a man (or the individual reaching the years of accountability) be born of water and of the spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

So many people hear these words and make no move to prove it as an actual experience in their own lives? Do others still making no move say, Oh it will be all right in the end. I'm just as good as so-and-so, he or she goes to church and if he or she gets into the kingdom of heaven, then I will. Do others think because they believe it and accept it as truth and consider their acceptance and belief covers or does for them the seeking, repenting, striving and being given birth? What Jesus says has to be done. Individuals, each for himself and herself, under conviction for sin, for all have sinned, and in repentance, a grief, concern and hatred of their sinfulness, seek and strive that they might prove to the Lord their desire for that birth or deliverance, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost and of fire that the Saviour alone can give to them. Then will they know what the Saviour suffered in love for them and birth into the kingdom with death to sin through suffering with life by the power of the Saviour, will be a reality.

Will people, as soon as they hear the news, obey by starting to do what Jesus commands? Or are they going to presume and provoke unto the time of grace for them is ended?

We're told that "... they should seek the Lord if happily they might feel after Him and find Him, tho' He be not for from every one of us." People will feel after, or desire to gain and will seek, strive and often suffer and sacrifice to attain, what the world calls riches and position in this world. Then can they say it is unreasonable to be exhorted to seek in repentance, strive and suffer to gain the priceless possession of salvation and eternal life. We're told, "Enter ye in at the Strait Gate, for wide is the gate and broad is the way which leadeth to destruction and many there be that go in thereat." But, because strait is the gate and narrow the way, that leadeth into life, few there be that find it. Are people going to keep on going into that place of eternal suffering just because of their lethargy, foolishness and unbelief? "Wide is the gate and broad is way that leadeth to destruction." That destruction is not the body being put under six feet of earth, with the deceptive feeling, and often belief, that that is the end.

Going on along the broad way till through the wide gate will be the destruction of any hope then of entering the kingdom of heaven where peace, joy and rest are endless realities, and in place of these endless suffering in that out darkness of the abomination of desolation the awfulness of which will be realized when it is too late to escape.

The shepherds sought and soon found the truth, the Saviour, they were humble and poor and as uneducated by they believed and also obeyed, and their believing and obedience gave them the authority to return glorifying and praising God, wonders they had learned and experienced at truth.

In the story of the wise men in Matthew they too sought the Saviour, they were elderly, educated and wealthy, and it gave them more difficulty to find the Saviour. Age and worldly wealth and education can be serious obstacles in the way of the desire to seek and find the Saviour today. These wise men (and they were wise in seeking the Saviour) gave their gold, frankincense and myrrh. It suggests the giving up of wealth the willingness to sacrifice and the need of suffering that there will be in seeking and when they have found the Saviour.

The shepherds and wise men went to Bethlehem. Today the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hid in a field, which can be sought and found by asking, seeking, knocking and striving for under conviction and in repentance till the Saviour gives.

But the condemnation is that light is come into the world and

PLANNING THE 1946 FARMING OPERATIONS

Farming at its best involves many hazards, says G. E. DeLong, Dominion Experimental Station, Lacombe, Alberta. Planning is as necessary and important in farming as in any other business enterprise. Farm planning assumes increasing importance for the abnormal conditions which may prevail during the post war period, during which the price cycle may take an inflationary whirl and later dip to low levels.

Seed, livestock and equipment are farmers operating capital. Costs are higher and profits are less than they should be on many farms because the operators lack sufficient working capital and are using inferior seed and livestock and are trying to farm with obsolete and worn out equipment.

Off type and under finished cattle have glutted the market at some marketing points and are in the downward phase of the price cycle. Other off grade farm products which have no Government price support may find themselves in a similar position. All of which should be a warning that all operations should be planned in such a way that only the best grain, livestock and other farm products will be produced.

High cost of production will probably continue for some time after prices drop. Farm incomes may decline and profits may shrink. Cost of production should therefore be reduced in every way possible.

Information compiled at the Dominion Experimental Station, Lacombe, indicates that the best way to reduce cost of production is to do everything possible to increase the yield and quality of farm crops. The use of the best seed of the most suitable varieties, the use of commercial fertilizers, the use of cultural practices which will control weeds, the treatment of seed to control disease and the adoption of a diversified crop rotation which

makes use of grasses and legumes to increase root fibre in the soil and improve fertility and till are all involved. In brief, the practice of improved and modern farming methods will reduce cost of production to the lowest possible minimum under existing conditions.

A sound plan which takes into consideration the possibilities of drought, frost, lower prices, the weed problem, labour difficulties, and all the other difficulties to which agriculture is heir may result in a farmer not being one of those who may be forced to liquidate when markets are low or when drought or hail strikes.

The next few years may be the most critical in the history of agriculture. A workable and efficient plan of operation for the farm is the best safeguard against any uncertainties the future may bring. Farm planning will pay big dividends both money and in the satisfaction which comes as a result of having accomplished something worthwhile. The Experimental Station, Lacombe, or your nearest Station will be glad to help you evolve a workable plan for your farm.

"As long as I am opposition leader, I intend to try to ensure that Canada is governed by this House of Commons and not by the secrecy of the council chamber."—Hon. John Bracken.

"If young people are to be adequately equipped to meet the problems of a modern, democratic world, education in schools must not be divorced from life."—Roy S. Knight, M.P.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Butchers in Britain will receive 20 per cent. less meat for making sausages, meat pies and similar commodities.

The Countess Spencer has succeeded the Lady Victoria Manners as Lady-in-Waiting to the Queen at Buckingham Palace.

The Queen's coronation chair, removed from Westminster Abbey for safety during the "bombing," is awaiting transport back to the Abbey.

The Germans plundered 140,000 head of cattle from 38 Italian provinces during their occupation, a preliminary survey by the Italian government shows.

Dr. Alan E. Cameron, Dominion president of the Canadian Institute of Mines and Metallurgy, said the Yellowknife, N.W.T. development "is the coming gold field of Canada."

The United Nations' shipping pool will be terminated March 2, 1946, it was announced after a meeting of the executive board of the united maritime authority at Washington.

The Moscow radio announced that the general elections would be held throughout Russia on Feb. 2, 1946, to elect deputies to the supreme Soviet of the Soviet Union.

Many millions of pounds of potatoes and grain have been lost in Holland because of the flooding of areas by Germans, and at least \$3,000,000 worth of agricultural implements have been ruined.

One hundred million units of penicillin will be produced every month by the Imperial Institute of science at Bangalore, India. Plant and equipment for production on such a vast scale are being installed.

Nearly Perfected

Japs Were Working On Death Ray When War Ended

Japanese scientists tried for five and a half years to develop a "death ray" and by the war's end could kill a rabbit at 30 yards in 10 minutes.

Their long work on the "death ray" was disclosed by Allied research officers who reported that the Japanese thought enough of the death ray to spend over \$1,000,000 yen for its development in 1945.

The Japanese experimented with the ray for stopping engines by pre-ignition directed against airplanes, but succeeded only in making the engines stop short of the target.

The Allied scientific group concluded: "A tremendous amount of techniques would have to be made of any value as a military weapon."

Rabbit, ground hogs, monkeys were used in the experiments. Ray effects included hemorrhage of the lungs and destruction of brain cells.

Asked if humans ever had been used to the experiments, the Japanese told the investigators an expert member had subjected himself to it briefly and after a few seconds reported dizziness and fatigue lasting from 12 to 25 hours.

A Long-Term Job

British Experts Are Looking For Equipment Hidden By Germans

A widespread plan of concealing most secret and essential equipment was operated in Germany before the capitulation, and now British experts have a long-term job of ferreting out the missing parts.

The disarmament staff of the British air force of occupation has found that the task of uncovering the hide-outs almost means a house-to-house search in Germany. The latest list of "targets" includes country houses, farms, farmhouses, windmills, abandoned mines and even pigpens.

Besides expected underground factories inside, the digested interiors of town halls and other municipal buildings. In Detmold they discovered essential waterworks parts missing and found the parts distributed among the townspeople.

The Nazis dismantled parts of airplanes, machinery and even one of their pocket battleships and hid them over wide areas.

GIVES THAT IMPRESSION

Everywhere you look there's another bunch of strikes, says Dave Boone, in the New York Sun. A stranger on this planet would get the idea the American working man was the most abused, overworked, underpaid, downtrodden, persecuted, victimized, flame-haired, undernourished underprivileged fellow in all history. And that all employers were combinations of Simon Legree, Gargantua, and Jesse James.

WORLD COMES BACK

The world has come back to the Chateau Laurier. For 10 years before the war the big terrestrial globe stood in the hotel lobby and guests frequently twirled it and studied it. Two years ago, the Minister of National Defence, on behalf of the King, asked Robert Somerville, general manager of Canadian National Hotels, if he could borrow it for the duration of the war. Now it has come back.

The richest silver-lead deposits in the world are located at the Broken Hill mines in Australia.



DON'T THROW IT AWAY! It might be of some use. Take the above for instance. On the left is an old coat, the cloth of which is not worn out. Therefore, scissors, a pattern, some thread and a little time to spare could result in the creation on the right (above). The war might be over but the problem of catching up with textile supplies is still a serious one. That is why the Remake Centres of the Prices Board Consumer Branch are working harder than ever across Canada to make over old clothes into new ones.

Weather Forecaster

Future Air Travel Will Be Made Safer By Radar

Radar, in the role of weather forecaster, is going to help notably the safety of future air travel. Thanks to war-born discoveries, the Weatherman of the future literally can settle comfortably behind his crystal ball and take at a glance the locality, extent, intensity, speed and direction of thunderstorms and related disturbances within a 100-mile radius.

The initial discovery which put A.A.F. meteorologists on the trail of radar's use in charting treacherous weather conditions came by accident early in 1942. A network of radar stations had been built up in the Caribbean to detect the approach of any hostile aircraft or surface vessels bent on attacking the Panama Canal.

Technicians had noticed hazy, irregular spots on the radar scope which couldn't be traced to any known "targets". Then one stumbled on the coincidence that the location of these spotsches on the scope corresponded with geographic areas over which storms or swollen rain clouds were hovering.

March Of Ideas

No Nation Can Reach And Maintain Prosperity Alone

To face forward means to achieve a new, a larger and a higher view of the meaning of a nation, and of that feeling of affection for it and devotion to it which is patriotism. Nations can no longer be conceived as ends in themselves. The march of ideas and the progress of civilization have made them members of a commonwealth of nations, with all the obligations, duties and opportunities of citizenship in that commonwealth.

The last place to look for security is in armament and the last way to seek for prosperity is through isolation. National problems grow constantly fewer and more intensely local. International problems steadily grow more and more numerous and of increasingly commanding importance. No nation can reach and maintain prosperity alone. To prosper, a nation must quickly learn that the whole world is now economically and politically interdependent.

—New York Times.

Won Quick Trip

Corporal Had Perfect Alibi But It Works Only Once

Latest repatriation story going the rounds concerns an unidentified corporal who yelled from the dock just before a troop transport pulled out for home: "I won't get on board! She's not safe. There are too many men aboard already. I won't get on that ship!"

Non-commissioned officers bundled him aboard, still protesting. The sequel came next day at sea when draft officers found one too many aboard.

It was the corporal, but he had a perfect alibi. Repatriation officials say the ruse won't work a second time.

WORRY AND HEALTH

'According to Health Magazine worrying about sickness, or any other misfortune, is probably only to the point where it induces you to do something about it. If the worrying goes beyond that point, or does not induce any corrective action, it is absolutely fruitless. Then it is likely to end up in something about which you will have real cause for worry.

There are about 142 carats to the ounce.

HOUSING SHORTAGE

Greatest Building Boom In History Is Under Way

Canada's critical housing shortage hinges on a bitter race between demand and supply with the demands of perhaps the greatest building boom in history persistently outstripping efforts to find enough labor and materials to meet them so far.

Born of five years of war-shifted populations and diverted manpower and building materials, it is a situation which has no magic answer.

Harassed by a clamor from every corner of the country, the government can only lay emphasis upon the basic factor that "there is a straight physical limitation—every man available, every bit of material available, is being used."

From the varied departments concerned, still come these statements on a shortage that pinches as much the towns of New Brunswick as the cities of Montreal and Toronto:—

1. Bluntly, in all probability, there still will be a housing shortage a year hence.

2. In these incipient stages of reconstruction, home construction, particularly for returning veterans, has top priority. Rid of all restrictions, now getting every possible governmental help, the labor and supply markets are lifting themselves from the barren levels of wartime but the terrific building backlog rooted in the depression and in the war, constitutes a pressure inherent in that backlog will last a "long time"—nobody will flirt with even rough estimates on the time factor—but, said Reconstruction Minister Howe recently: "I am confident that within the next few months the difficulties builders are meeting will be largely overcome."

3. That backlog demand, linked with steadily dwindling shortage, will undoubtedly make 1946 a construction year without parallel.

4. The pressure inherent in that backlog will last a "long time"—nobody will flirt with even rough estimates on the time factor—but, said Reconstruction Minister Howe recently: "I am confident that within the next few months the difficulties builders are meeting will be largely overcome."

5. Certain building materials, particularly hardwood flooring and finishing lumber will "remain scarce for some time." But the "key to increased production rests in the flow of labor." Said Mr. Howe: "The construction industry, normally our largest employer of labor, now has only a small fraction of its usual complement."

But its payrolls, swelling with discharged servicemen and transferred war workers, are growing weekly.

With all these obstacles, however, only 1938 can compare with the pace of building now proceeding in Canada. Government predictions, after toying with various qualifications and figures, have boiled down to Mr. Howe's statement that "it now appears we shall come close to building or beginning 50,000 housing units in 1945 and we may even surpass that."

RAILWAY RADAR

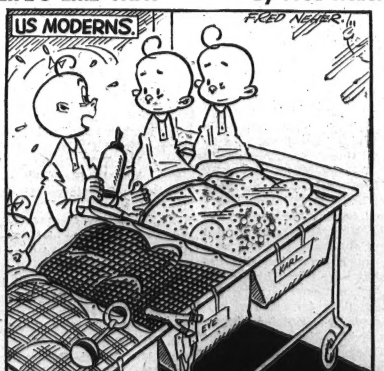
The first application of radar components to a railway communication system will be made on the Rock Island Lines, according to advice received at headquarters of the Canadian National Railways in Winnipeg.

The Rock Island's radar-type radio communication system will embody important developments designed by the Sperry Gyroscope Company for military and naval radar operations and only recently released by the U.S. Government.

In Buffalo Bill's time, there was no market for the meat of the buffalo, which was left to rot where it lay after the skins had been removed.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



REG'LAR FELLERS—The Man Higher Up



ON TRIAL FOR WAR CRIMES—

Dr. Frits Klein, a Rumanian S.S. doctor, is on trial in Luneburg, Germany, with other Nazi war criminals from the Belsen camp. Klein allegedly injected the prisoners at the camp with poisons.

An Awful Life

Doctor Stranded On An Island With Many Women

Many men think it would be highly romantic to be cast away on a Pacific island with a hundred maidens.

Not so Dr. C. A. Derede, who was one of 12 men in Tjildeng camp on Bataan where the Japanese concentrated some 10,000 Dutch and English women and children.

The doctor, happily married and has two small daughters—and his wife was with him—so being surrounded by so many females didn't stir his pulse one bit. If anything, it bored him and he looks back upon the whole experience as one long nightmare.

"It was an awful life—being among so many women," said the tall, blond young Dutch physician. "But it wasn't so bad for me as it was for my wife. Many of the other women were jealous because they didn't have their husbands with them—and some made things difficult for my wife."

NOT WRITING NOW

Newsweek says former Prime Minister Churchill will not write any books or articles for the time being because it might injure his political position. (There would be little financial return because of the high income tax. If he does write anything, it probably will be for publication after his death.)

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Fergusson

IN THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE, IT IS ALMOST A WEEK LONGER FROM SPRING EQUINOX TO AUTUMNAL EQUINOX, THAN FROM AUTUMNAL EQUINOX TO SPRING EQUINOX.



AN ELEPHANT'S EARS SERVE WHAT OTHER PURPOSE THAN THAT OF HEARING?

ANSWER: An elephant's ears serve as a cooling system, since a network of veins runs close to the surface throughout their entire area.



THE GUANAYE, A CORMORANT FROM PERU, DIFFERS FROM ALL OTHER SPECIES IN ITS FISHING TACTICS. IT SEARCHES FOR FISH FROM THE AIR, WHILE OTHER CORMORANTS DIVE AND SEARCH UNDER WATER.

BY GENE BYRNES



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After a number of dustings Venetian blinds usually need a good soap and water bath. Go over them with a soft sponge dipped in warm, ly with warm water applied with mildly sudsy water. Rinse through a soft cloth or sponge. Wipe dry with soft cloth.

T.B. Questions and Answers

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Q. If you have T.B., is it best to go to the San?
A. In most cases, yes.
Q. Can one have bronchial trouble, with cough, and not have T.B.?
A. Any disease of the lungs or bronchi may be accompanied by cough and expectoration. X-ray examination will determine the nature of the trouble.
Q. Do patients ever have active tuberculosis without cough?
A. Yes, this happens at times, but sooner or later the cough with expectoration appears.

Christmas Concert

A very fine Christmas concert was put on by the Irma schools and the United church Sunday School in the United church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 19th. The church was packed to the doors, over two hundred in attendance counting children and adults.

The following program was rendered after which everyone was treated to an orange.

- 1—Opening.
 - 2—Chairman's Remarks.
 - 3—Address of Welcome, Mack McLoughlin.
 - 4—Dialogue, "Santa's Surprise."
 - 5—Recitation, Gordon Lovig.
 - 6—Recitation, Arthur Lovig.
 - 7—Acrostic, Nursery and Beginner Classes.
 - 8—Recitation, Dickie Buckley.
 - 9—Song, Primary Boys.
 - 10—Recitation, Grade 1.
 - 11—Recitation, Evelyn Trueder.
 - 12—Carols, CGT.
 - 13—Recitation, Francis Saville.
 - 14—Recitation, Olga and Jeanette.
 - 15—Pageant, "The First Xmas."
 - Trail Rangers, Junior Schools.
 - 16—Recitation, Lorraine Hockett.
 - 17—Recitation, Patricia Glover.
 - 18—Play, "Xmas Everywhere."
- Grades 4, 5, 6.
God Save The King.

AFU Notes

The regular monthly meeting of Irma AFU Local, No. 154 was held in the High School on Tuesday night, Dec. 11th. A capacity crowd heard the reports of the four delegates to the annual Provincial Convention held in Edmonton, Nov. 29 to 30th inclusive, after some discussion and questions had been answered, the reports were received and a hearty vote of thanks extended to the delegates for their very interesting reports. A godly number signed up for 1946. After a hearty lunch everyone went home feeling that the time had indeed been well spent and looking forward to a banner year for the UFA in 1946.

The next meeting will be held in the High School on January 8—the second Tuesday. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance of members at this meeting to elect the officers for the coming year.

"Considerable confusion has been caused in the minds of the public and veterans who are under the impression that the National Employment Office creates jobs."—C. E. Pickering.

LOCALS

A. B. Wilbraham, R. A. and Wren Wilbraham, M. E. have received their discharges and are spending the holidays with their parents at Wainwright.

Report your holiday activities and the names of your visitors to the Times office for publication. These items make interesting reading especially for those who are away from home. Do not write them as a letter, just write down one item after another, put the paper in an unsealed envelope addressed to the Irma Times with a one cent postage stamp affixed.

While couples contemplating marriage have to go to other towns for their blood test and sometimes a ring, a marriage license is always available at E. W. Carter's or at some other place by appointment at any hour of the day or night. See him for up-to-the-minute service, it will be appreciated.

December 27, being fourth Thursday in month, is WCTU regular meeting day. As appropriate for Xmas season, topic will be: How can temperance officials help establish world peace? All members and others interested in this vital topic are urged to attend.

Seasons skating tickets will be off sale December 31st. Get yours now.—E. E. Sharkey, rink manager. 21p

The Sharon Young People's Luther League are holding their annual Watch-Night service on Dec. 31 at 8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Please take notice that all Irma Stores will be closed Dec. 25th and 26th and Jan. 1st and 2nd.

Irma stores will also close at 6 p.m. on Saturdays commencing Dec. 29 until spring.

STRAYED

Strayed from H. G. Jamieson's Ranch, three head Hereford yearling steers, branded Z9, crescent below on the left rib. Please notify F. Crabb, Irma. Phone 304. 21-14

HOCKEY

IRMA SENIORS TROUNCE HARDISTY 13-2

A scoring session by the Irma Seniors on Tuesday last, sent a team from Hardisty home suffering a 13-2 defeat. The Hardisty team though weakened by the lack of some of their star players, at times, put up a determined battle, but the line of Symington, Jones and McFarland seemed to be able to bulge the net at will. The game from a spectators point of view was very slow but the Hardisty goal tender has a different story to tell. At the end of the first period Irma led by a score of 4-0. At the end of the second stanza, the score stood 9-1 and in the final frame the Irma Sextet still outscored their opponents by 5 to 1. Watch our hockey team this year, it has only suffered one defeat as yet and intends to maintain this good record. Watch for posters announcing games and boost for your home town team.

At long last the hockey season is in full swing. On Wednesday, Dec. 6th, the Wainwright High School motored to Irma for a fast and quite rough hockey game. The score 5-1 for Wainwright. The lone Irma goal was made by C. Glover, assist, D. Quinlan.

The following Wednesday, Dec. 12, the Irma Juniors motored to Wainwright for a fast and again quite rough game, but this time the tables were turned by the Irma team, when they ran up a 3-2 score in their favour. The goals were made by D. Quinlan with two and a combination of J. Guitner and C. Soneff for one. The game was so rough that the average time spent in the penalty box by both sides was about four minutes per player.

The Irma Senior Hockey Team has played three games to date and although they dropped one game to the Wainwright Army team, they showed promise of a very good season. The big three in the scoring race are C. Jones with nine points, R. McFarland with six and Symington with five points. Watch for posters announcing games and boost for your local team by attending all games.

Come, Everybody, Let's Go to the NEW YEAR'S EVE FROLIC in Kiefer's Hall, Irma



MON. DEC. 31st --- Novelties Galore!
MUSIC BY IRMA INK SPOTS
Sponsored by Irma Junior Hockey Club

Obituary

NORMAN MATTHEW GUNN

Mr. Norman Matthew Gunn, a former resident of the Irma district and a veteran of the First Great War, passed away at Edmonton, on Sunday, Dec. 16 at the age of 75 years. The late Mr. Gunn had been in poor health for a few years and he and his brother, William, had been living in Edmonton. Another survivor is a brother in England.

The funeral service was held in the Irma United church on Wed. Dec. 19th, Rev. H. W. Inglis officiating. Floral tributes were received from the following:

Loving brother William; Mrs. Wickhorst and friends at Nursing Home; Irma Branch Canadian Legion; O. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. R. McFarland and family; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones and family.

The pall bearers were Messrs. R. McFarland, J. G. Rae, W. E. Walker, J. A. Hedley, W. T. Steele and J. Dunbar, all exservicemen. Interment was in the Irma Cemetery.

LADIES AID ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Irma Ladies Aid was held in the Irma United church last Thursday evening with eighteen members present.

The Secretary, Mrs. Enger, gave a very fine resume of the year's activities, while the Treasurer, Mrs. Hutchinson, reported one of the best years financially in a long long time.

It was decided to give \$75 to the Missionary and Maintenance work of the church. To put \$100 dollars in the church improvement fund, and to raise the caretakers salary.

The President, Mrs. Black spoke highly of the co-operation and help from all the ladies and extended a hearty Thank You to all who had helped in any way to make years such a complete success.

Rev. P. W. Inglis brought a most suitable Christmas Message after which he took the chair to conduct the elections of officers for 1946, which, when completed, read:
Pres.—Mrs. J. C. McLean, 1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. E. W. Carter, 2nd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. H. Black, Treas. Mrs. Frickleton, Secretary—Mrs. R. McFarland.

The program for 1946 will be ready at an early date, and all the members are asked to assist in some way to make them complete. The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Bert Long and the following ladies are asked to assist in this meeting. Revolutionals, Mrs. Tripp, New Year's Message, Mrs. Winnie Reeves, Hostesses, Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Smallwood. A hearty welcome is extended to all the ladies.

AMALGAMATION

At the convention of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture held in Edmonton last week, a favourable decision was made regarding the proposed amalgamation of the Alberta Farmer's Union, and the United Farmers of Alberta under the Federation.

Having previously been approved of by the Alberta Farmer's Union convention, the proposed

GREETINGS



To All Our Friends and Customers

A Merry Christmas to you all

The young, the old,
the short, the tall,
This is the time to
sing and laugh,
Season's Greetings from
Elford and staff.

Elford's, The Irma Trading Co.



It is a pleasure to use the old-time and long remembered expression of Yuletide greeting. After six years of uncertainty we can once more truly say

A Merry Christmas To You All And Our Best Wishes For A Happy New Year

Imperial Lumber Company Limited
H. L. BLACK R. L. ROHRER



SEASON'S GREETINGS

We take this opportunity to thank all our old friends for their patronage and help during the past year, and to greet the new customers as friends, as we solicit their business and friendship during the coming year.

May the Peace, Prosperity and Goodwill which we now enjoy be the most lasting ever

V. Hutchinson

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union must now be confirmed by the annual United Farmers of Alberta convention to be held in January, after which the three organizations will set up committees to study the matter further.
The U.F.A. co-operatives will be excluded from the proposed union.